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In re Application of
Samit Kumar Basu et al.

Application Number
10/813,758 Filed
March 31, 2004

For Method and Apparatus for Efficient Calculation and Use of Reconstructed Pixel Variance in Tomography Images

Art Unit
2624 Examiner
Nancy Bitar

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.

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assignee of record of the entire interest.

See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed.
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 CALCULATION AND USE OF RECONSTRUCTED PIXEL
 VARIANCE IN TOMOGRAPHY IMAGES

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31 FROM THE DECISION OF THE
EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the final decision mailed August 30, 2010 of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 12-30 of the above-referenced application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite filing fee of \$540.00 (Notice of Appeal), and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 07-0868; Order No. 140361-1.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby provide a general authorization to treat this and any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Furthermore, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee for any extension of time to Deposit Account No. 07-0868; Order No. 140361-1.

Respectfully submitted,

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